

Mr. Weisberg:

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I sent you on 7-31 material evidence that two versions of the Altgens photograph exist, one with a brilliant glare near the right hand grip of the cyclist off the left trunk of the limosine and one without the glare and instead a neat black blob, circular and appearing to be something on the cycle.

I send you today the left side of the Altgens photograph, in two versions, one from the Post and one from the Parallax Torch is passed, which show distinct differences in the arm line of the cyclist off the right trunk of the limosine.

The Altgens photo used by Parallax in its version of The Torch is Passed is not the one used by AP in its original Torch is Passed sold by mail order just after the assassination. That one shows no brilliant glare immediately in the vicinity of the right hand of the left-trunk-riding cyclist; and it shows the extended "relaxed" arm on the right-trunk-riding cyclist. Parallax has got hold of a different version. The one they used is the same one Esquire used to illustrate your theory in their Assassination theories issue, where they printed a tiny version of the Altgens photo above an enlargement of the Dal Tex fire escape area to show your discovery of the extended object and man on fire escape. So both Parallax and Esquire have used an Altgens that shows a brilliant glare off the right side of Hargis cycle. Therefore there must exist two official AP versions. (In all versions except that in the Post of Dec. 14, 1963, the cross bar has been removed from the white object on the hood of the VP car.)

Now what more can I do to convince you that my reconstruction of events is probably the right one? I have offered you photographic evidence that two versions of the Altgens photo ~~xxxxx~~ exist with alterations in exactly the two places I told you guilty action happened, based on my other deductions from the evidence.

I think the next step is to find out where these two men are now and if there has been any significant change in their lives. I think you could find this out for your name is now powerful; whereas I could get the runaround. If you found that there has been a significant change in their lives, I think this would make you very suspicious. Bowers rose from railroad towerman and part time handyman to a doctor to Vice President of a construction firm damn fast: not that Bowers was guilty; but that he may have seen something that was worth a lot of money to some one. No way in the world to get rich faster than in construction work, allied to government spending. Is one of my men the president of that firm? Forgive the joke and allow me another one: maybe my men are teaching the course involving the copy of the Z film used for "training". -But I am quite serious. How can I find out the subsequent history of these two men? On the one off the right trunk there has been not a whitewash but a total black out. I am almost afraid to mention his name.

As for the Hicks bullet, the obvious question to ask is which way he thought the bullet was going. All photos show people on the sidewalk and knoll throwing themselves away from the street. The men on the steps turned and ran up the steps toward the knoll. Yet many of them thought the heard shots came from the knoll. But instinctively they